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June 14, 2004	(Date)

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/062,854	01/31/2002	Arvind D. Patel	11836.0720.N	1225

TITLE OF INVENTION: OIL BASED WELL FLUIDS WITH HIGH SOLIDS CONTENT

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 86	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
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1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 950	2253 475	Extension for reply within third month	
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1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional	1330.0
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